Amendment No. 1 to HB9072

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 9009

House Bill No. 9072*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-201, is amended by deleting the last sentence in subdivision (a)(1) and substituting instead the following:

All elections for school board members must be conducted on a partisan basis, and political parties may nominate candidates for school board membership by any method authorized under the rules of the party or by primary election under title 2.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-201, is further amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting the following:

(d)

(1)

(A) Primary elections in which candidates nominated for school boards are to appear on the regular August election ballot are held on the first Tuesday in May before the August election. In the years in which an election is held for president of the United States, a political party primary for offices to be elected in the regular August election shall be held on the same day as the presidential preference primary. In such event, the qualifying deadline for independent and primary candidates is twelve o'clock (12:00) noon, prevailing time, on the date established in § 2-5-101(a)(2).

- (B) Primary elections in which candidates nominated for school board are to appear on the regular November election ballot are held concurrently with the regular August election. The qualifying deadline for independent and primary candidates is twelve o'clock (12:00) noon, prevailing time, on the date established in § 2-5-101(a)(1).
- (C) Primary elections in which candidates nominated for school board are to appear on a ballot other than the regular August or regular November election ballot are held on the first Tuesday in the third month before the election. If the first Tuesday of the third month falls on a legal holiday, the election shall be held on the second Tuesday of the third month before the election.
- (2) If the date for a primary election falls within ninety (90) days of an upcoming regular primary or general election being held in the jurisdiction, the commission or commissions may reset the date of the primary election to coincide with the regular primary or general election, even though this may be outside of the time period established herein. All dates dependent on the date of the election must be adjusted accordingly and any acts required to be done by these dates must be performed timely if done in accordance with the adjusted dates.
- (3) The qualifying deadline for independent and primary candidates is twelve o'clock (12:00) noon, prevailing time, on the date established in § 2-5-101(a).

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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